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Sir Edward Brockman, the Chief Secretary, writes as follows in his annual report for 1912, regarding Port Swettenham:—

There were at the beginning of the year, and indeed throughout the year, more or less, some complaints regarding the deficiencies of Port Swettenham. This Port, which, a few years ago, was only made use of by local shipping, suddenly became a port of call for ocean-going steamers. If, as of course is hardly possible, they could have arranged so that their arrivals did not clash, the trouble would have been slight in comparison, but, when sometimes five large vessels arrive all wanting discharge at the same time, the resources of the Port are certainly overtaxed. Still every effort was being made, and a scheme of development involving a very large expenditure was proposed.

POINTS OF URGENCY.

There were three points of more immediate urgency which were pressed upon the Government.

It was urged that the labour force was unsatisfactory and immediate steps were taken to put it on a more satisfactory footing, and a great improvement took place.

The number of lighters was represented to be inadequate, and although the Government does not thin to have a monopoly of the lighterage business and there was nothing to prevent any Shipping Company providing its own lighters, the Government decided to largely increase the number of lighters and there is now a number which is in excess of the ordinary requirements of the Port at present.

A third complaint was that the facilities for unloading from lighters were inadequate. The permanent wharfage is being increased but progress in such works is slow. The Government decided to at once erect a wooden wharf especially for unloading lighters and the work was put in hand without delay.

UP GO FREIGHTS: AN UNEXPECTED MOVE.

One might have expected that the evidence thus offered of the intention of the Government to do all in its power to improve the state of affairs would have met with some recognition on the part of the representatives of the Shipping Companies making use of the Port. They did not, however, wait to see what was the result of these improvements. The reply was as prompt as it was unexpected, an increase of 2s. 6d. a ton in freights, making 12s. 6d. a ton more than at Singapore and Penang.

This move on the part of the Shipping Conference caused some indignation among the local merchants who evidently did not realise what was coming.

The promptness with which the announcement of the increase of freights was made leads one to the almost irresistible conclusion that the increase had already been decided upon and that the alleged deficiencies of Port Swettenham were made an excuse rather than a reason for raising the already high rates, and if any evidence were wanting to confirm this view it has subsequently been supplied by the decision of the Shipping Conference to raise the rates on rubber shipped from Penang and Singapore so as to bring them more in a line with those from Port Swettenham.

THE SHIPPING MONOPOLY.

Shippers must realise that given a monopoly of transport such as is possessed by Companies subservient to the Eastern Shipping Conference, there is a strong temptation to fix the rates on a value basis, commodity such as rubber on the basis not so much as what is the cost of the transport but what such a commodity can afford to pay.

As an excuse for the increase in freights the representatives of the Shipping Conference drew a comparison between the facilities for dealing with cargo at Port Swettenham, on the one hand, and Singapore and Penang, on the other hand. They might with almost equal justice have made the comparison with, say, Liverpool.

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THE FUTURE OF RUBBER.

OPINION FROM AMERICA.

We have been allowed to see and make the following extracts from a private letter received from a sound business man, now in America, by a firm of brokers in this town (Kuala Lumpur). The information is distinctly cheerful and shows glimpses of a brighter outlook for the future.

"You must not expect any great improvement in Rubber business until

(1) The Balkan Affairs are thoroughly settled and everything quiet there, and (2) The New Tariff in America is passed and put into operation. America has been outbidding imports, whether manufactured or raw articles, as much as possible for the last six months or so, fearing the consequences of the New Tariff which is now in the hands of the Legislature, and until the New Law is passed American Traders will simply mark time and work from hand to mouth, as it were, carrying the smallest possible stocks.

If they imported a large amount of Rubber now, and with their most expensive labour, manufactured and accumulated a large stock of Rubber goods, which would be their position and how great would be their loss if under the New Tariff it were found that Rubber goods manufactured in Foreign Countries, where labour is about one quarter the cost of what it is in America, could be imported free of duty or only a small duty?

The duty on clothes now comes to about 100 per cent, but under the new Tariff it will be only about 35 per cent.

It is not long ago that Plantation Rubber was fetching a much bigger price at the fortnightly auctions than Para Rubber was fetching. Plantation Rubber was at least 8 pence higher then, if not more! However I am not advocating the auction system because really I think it bad but I do not think it is solely responsible for the present divergence in price between Para and Plantation.

Perhaps Para Rubber is being held back and the market for it is controlled, but that can only tell on Brazil, and if you read of the state of pessimism that prevails in that country to-day, especially with regard to Rubber, you would be no more surprised at Brazil manipulating the Rubber market than they are manipulating the market for coffee, which they have been doing for years. I look for a considerable revival in Rubber and Silk and other tropical produce as soon as the new American Tariff comes into operation.

America is not only buying as little Rubber as possible but it is also importing as little Raw Silk as possible, which is considerably affecting the price of silk in Japan.

I look for a great revival all round in business early next year. I have been looking further into the trade figures of America lately and I find that for the three months, March, April and May this year America imported nearly 7,000,000 pounds less India Rubber and 7,000,000 pounds less Guayula and Gutta-percha Rubber than she did for the same 3 months last year, but 5,000,000 pounds more of Serap and Refuse Rubber! It is not to be wondered at therefore that there has been such a slump as there has been in the price of Rubber! America is the greatest consuming market in the world for Rubber and her stocks must be pretty well depleted now, so that she will require to buy more largely than ever by and by, after her New Tariff Bill has passed the Legislature and come into operation.

The New Tariff will probably become effective before the end of the year, and after that we may expect to see America buying heavily.

The following figures are taken from the Customs Returns and are therefore reliable.

Imports of India Rubber into America compared for eleven months ending May of the past three years.

11 months ending May 1911, 65,732,492.
11 months " " 1912, 103,395,020.
11 months " " 1913, 104,492,451.

It will be observed that for the past 11 months America has only imported practically the same quantity of India Rubber as she did for the 11 months ending May 1912, although her consumption of Rubber must have been at least 30 to 40 per cent greater for the 11 months ending 1913 than for the 11 months ending 1912.

Consequently her stocks must be well nigh depleted now.

For 11 months ending May 1911 she imported in addition to above 24,779,879 lbs. of Serap or Refuse Rubber, 50 per cent of her consumption, and for the 11 months ending May 1912, 22,837,843 lbs. and for 11 months ending May 1913, 39,492,824 lbs. — Malay Mail.

LAWN TENNIS PARTNERSHIPS.
Why Cannot Husband and Wife Play Together?

Anyone who has seen anything of lawn tennis tournaments this summer, remarks a writer in a home paper, has probably noticed that husband and wife scarcely ever play together. Nothing is more usual than to see brothers playing together, or sisters, or brother and sister, but you may go to a dozen tournaments without seeing husband and wife the same side of the net. When they are playing for the husband to play with another woman and the wife with another man.

Why is this?

Is it that friction would result, or that each makes the other nervous, or that it is better to have one's partner in some serious matter outside the home? Whatever the explanation, one thing is clear: it seems to be impossible for husband and wife to play together without arguing. Apparently, their relations are so far apart that when the wife does so much, the husband falls back on his own resources, and when playing with a competitive partner he must say nothing, and so must shut his mouth to be the most efficient partner.

Many all the women players in lawn tennis have been married. If they could play together, no doubt, they would be much more successful.

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I look for a great revival all round in business early next year. I have been looking further into the trade figures of America lately and I find that for the three months, March, April and May this year America imported nearly 7,000,000 pounds less India Rubber and 7,000,000 pounds less Guayula and Gutta-percha Rubber than she did for the same 3 months last year, but 5,000,000 pounds more of Serap and Refuse Rubber! It is not to be wondered at therefore that there has been such a slump as there has been in the price of Rubber! America is the greatest consuming market in the world for Rubber and her stocks must be pretty well depleted now, so that she will require to buy more largely than ever by and by, after her New Tariff Bill has passed the Legislature and come into operation.

The New Tariff will probably become effective before the end of the year, and after that we may expect to see America buying heavily.

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A THAMES UTOPIA.

"Admirable Crichtons" of Canvey Island.

Another chapter has been added to the history of the long series of disasters that have befallen the island of Canvey, off the coast of Essex, a few miles from Southend.

Canvey some centuries ago was reclaimed from the "sea," as the Thames estuary is called in the neighbourhood, by a Dutchman, who built a wall round the reclaimed mud, rendering it fit for use for agricultural purposes. So far so well, but troubles began when efforts were made to develop the island into a holiday resort.

Quite fifteen years ago the idea was conceived of having an electric tramway service, and lines were laid right across the island, thus linking it up with the ferry at Dendle. A generating station, too, was begun, but never finished, and consequently the rails were never used, and for years were allowed to rust.

PANTOMIME TRAMCAR.

A few weeks ago efforts to inaugurate a tramcar service were made, for the people of Canvey never like to disappoint anybody. A tramcar was created to form the nucleus of the new service. The car was a pantomime sort of vehicle. A trolley, such as is used on the railways by playboys, was secured, and upon this a couple of benches were added to provide seating accommodation for ten persons. There being no springs for the wheels, substantial cushions were strapped to the seats to render travel agreeable, for the car jolted terribly as it progressed along the old rusty rails. Only two miles were reliable enough for use, but this was sufficient to carry out the promise of a Canvey tramway service. The car was drawn by a horse, which, as it were, went sideways; because the sleepers would not permit the animal to run on the permanent way.

NOVELTY RAIL.

At first all was well. The novel idea appealed to the people, who willingly paid their three pence for the privilege of riding on the pioneer tramcar. In the course of a few days, however, traffic declined, and so the management decided to suspend the service, and ever since the tramcar has been chained to the railway track, so that small boys shall not take too much notice of the device.

A year ago someone took an old horse bus on the island, and since then others have been buying buses at 80s. a time, and thus creating weekend and holiday residences. The advantage of the vehicle is that there is no need to pay rates. Quite a model house has been wheeled together, as it were, by one ingenious man who has placed two buses side by side, one for the bedroom and the other for the living room, adding a shed for a scullery. Many people have built their own little wooden huts, and owing to the laxity of the building by laws hungulous with five rooms can be erected with wood and corrugated iron.

Daily Graphic.

RECTOR V. SHYLOCK.

Moneylenders' Victim Defence Association.

One of the greatest scourges in the money lender. His victims may be numbered by the thousands. They have found a champion in the Rev. Herbert Williams, rector of St. John's, Horselydown, Burmonsey, and founder of the Moneylenders' Victim Defence Association.

In the majority of cases these people didn't know what they were doing," said Mr. Williams to a "Daily Graphic" representative. "I have had some very curious cases before me lately. A clergyman, for instance, applied to a moneylender to know what the rate of interest on a loan of £25 would be. Five £5 notes were at once forwarded to him, and his wife clinched the matter by opening the letter and spending the money on an outfit for a daughter who was about to get married. Quite a large number of the clergy are involved in these transactions. It is intelligible enough. Suppose I were a poor man with a sick wife and a large family, it would be a decided temptation to handle about £50."

"How did you first come to take the matter up?" inquired our representative.

"It was about six years ago, I think," Mr. Williams replied. "I found a poor, wretched woman who had written a letter to some 'titled lady,' and this good lady very wisely didn't send any money but sent to me. When I investigated the case I found there was a bill of sale on some rather good old furniture, and fortunately in this instance I was able to come to some arrangement with the moneylender."

MR. SIMS'S HELP.

Just about that time my friend Mr. George R. Sims came down here to interview me about social conditions in this neighbourhood. I told him what I had been doing with regard to this woman, and that so many of my people were in the hands of the moneylenders. He took up the matter with enthusiasm, and the movement may be said to have started from that time.

"My method of helping borrowers is to get some rich man to give an overdraft on the bank. The loan is then recovered from the man himself. The whole income of one unfortunate man has been paid into the bank, and he is now receiving an income of so much a week until the loan is paid off."

"Of course," concluded Mr. Williams, "there is another side to the question. Some of the borrowers are very dishonest. I have had many cases where the moneylender has been deceived."

A MINISTRY OF SPORT.

Mr. John Burns or Dr. W. G. Grace?

CRICKET AND THE CABINET.

It is proposed that France shall have a Ministry of Sport. Russia has established something of the kind, and France is now saying, "Why should we not follow the example?"

And to-day it is suggested that Great Britain should do likewise, and add a Secretary of State for the Sports Department to the Cabinet.

Why not? There is at least as much public interest displayed in sport as in the Army and the Navy, and we have Ministers for both those institutions. Sixty thousand people went to the Oval last week to see two cricket matches. Did 60,000 people last week attend any naval or military function in London? No. Need we say more?

The only question is: Who shall be the new Minister?

The Liberal forefinger will probably point to Mr. John Burns. He has been a cricketer. There is a legend in Battersea that years ago he lost a Battersea man a new hat that he would not bowl him out, and the legend goes on to say that his balls were duly disestablished, but that the hat has not yet been recovered. There are further legends of his displaying considerable spryness as a skater on the ladies' pond in Battersea Park, and of his having on several occasions been a spectator of "soccer" matches in that pleasing suburb. The movement of the Liberal forefinger will not be entirely unreasonable.

We have, however, if Mr. Burns will allow us to say so, a better suggestion to make.

Who could make a delightful, amid greater applause, and to the greater enjoyment of the credit and glory of his Majesty's Ministers, enter the Cabinet as its Britannic Majesty's first Minister of Sport?

It is not ours to sing the stately Grace. His name and his fame are immortal. His deeds on the tennis field we part, and a glorious part, of the splendour of Britain. He has forgotten even cricket that day, ever the Right Hon. John Burns ever knew. Years ago he "Pall Mall Gazette" said he should be made a Peer. Let him now be made one, and a Cabinet Minister, too.

He knows all sport. And he has no gift at all as a speech maker. Many men in Parliament have that gift, and that only. Lord Grace would be a brilliant exception. He would know a lot and say little.

England has much need of such a man in Parliament. As Tompkins said years ago—

"Ah God, for a man with heart, head, hand."

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THE HOUSE OF LORDS QUESTION.

William Gilbert, first Earl Grace, Secretary of State for Sport, would be just that "still strong man in a blatant land."

We fly forward on imagination's airy wing and seem to see and hear the noble lord being asked and answering a question in Parliament.

Lord Kinnaird asked Earl Grace if it was correct, as stated in the Press, that Pym, the South of England professional, had batted three hours for four runs, and, if so, what action his Majesty's Government proposed to take with the object of preventing such exhibitions in the future.

Lord Grace, in reply, said the report was correct. He regarded Pym as an unmitigated Rabbit—loud laughter and cheer—and thought his county representative should put him under the pump. (Loud laughter.) It was the business of a batsman to make runs. Crickets were not intended as a cure for public infirmities. (Hear, hear.) That was all he had to say. (Loud cheer.) Imagine the effect of such a speech as that, from such a man, delivered from the front Ministerial bench, and reported through the length and breadth of the country! Why, there would be an end of the stone-waller in a week.

There is much more we could say, but our readers will be able to say it for themselves. Ours simply is to start the idea, to show the way. Let us have our Ministry of Sport, and let Dr. W. G. Grace be our first Minister! "Pall Mall Gazette."

SINGAPORE TREASURER'S RETIRAL.

Another prominent official of the Government leaves the colony for good in the near future. This is the Hon. J. O. Anthorn, Colonial Treasurer, who goes on short leave next month and retires from service at the end of his holiday. Mr. Anthorn is 68 years of age, according to the official "birth-day book," is a B.A. of Cambridge, and has been in the Straits civil service since 1888. In the course of his career he was for three years President of Singapore Municipality (1901-2-3), was President of the Municipal enquiry commission in 1909-10, was appointed to his present post as Treasurer in 1908, and since then has acted as the Resident Councilor of Penang and British Resident in Selangor. We understand that Mr. A. M. Pomroy, at present Protector of Chinese in Selangor and Negri Sembilan (Class III), will come to Singapore to act in the Treasury temporarily.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

There is a blank plague return to-day.

The silk shipped per s.s. "Nippon Maru" was delivered in New York on the 18th ultimo.

The cargo of raw silk shipped on board the s.s. "Chili" which left this port on August 26, was delivered at Lyon on September 29.

A Chinese, aged 38, has been sent to hospital from No. 2 U Yung Lane suffering from an overdose of opium, supposed to have been self-administered.

The High Court at Bombay has sentenced Dadoabhai Shinde, the latter who is called Captain Khat, I.M.S., with a sentence to eleven years' rigorous imprisonment.

A Chinese widow of No. 23 Queen's Road West gave a man named Ah Tai \$35 in money to change into Singapore money at a money-changer's shop. Ah Tai, however, failed to return, and neither he nor the money have been seen since.

The stranded steamer Tootsin still resists all attempts to pull her off the North Point anchorage. It has been found that several rats which have pierced her hull, hold her fast, and will have to be waited before she can be got off.

The "Malay Mail" understands that a new plant has been received by the Malacca Electric Lighting Co., and that it will be installed at the generating station at Kuala to be used for the lighting of town roads with electricity in the near future.

Sir Thomas Lipton has received a four-leaved shamrock from an Irish admirer, to be used as a mascot on his new yacht Shamrock IV, when competing for the America Cup. Sir Thomas Lipton is having the shamrock replanted till required.

The "Medical Press and Circular" remarks: "While the oyster is undoubtedly a valuable article of diet in disease, the fact remains that the subtlety of its attraction can only be fully appreciated by the healthy person—the man who would be glad if his pharynx extended five miles in length in order to afford him time to grasp the delicacy of the favour."

The British American Company, with their usual enterprise, have just made an interesting offer to smokers of "Bouton Rouge," "Felician," "Napiero Specials," or "Alma Sultan" Egyptian cigarettes. The users of these well-known brands returning this in which 200 of the cigarettes had been packed will be entitled to one of the popular and amusing "Billiards Made Easy" pictures by the late Mr. Tom Browne.

Preaching at the Singapore Cathedral recently, the Rev. H. G. Pele, in a reference to the question of Church-going, said the reason many young men gave for their non-attendance was that they were expected to wear dark clothes, and white suits were regarded as not proper. He had the authority of the Archbishop to state that men in white clothes would be welcomed, and he hoped that such a belief as he had mentioned would no longer keep men from coming to Church.

Mr. H. W. D. Shillard, who has been in the Hongkong Office of the P. & O. Company for some years, and was Acting Superintendent during the absence on leave last year of the Hon. Mr. Hewitt, C.W.G., has been appointed Agent of the Company at Perth, Western Australia, and leaves Hongkong with Mrs. Shillard and family on the 25th inst. to take up his new post. Mr. Shillard has spent about twenty-two years in the Company's service in Asia at various ports between Bombay and Yokohama, and a host of friends in the Far East will wish him every success in his new sphere.

NEW WESTERN MARKET.

OPENED IN CHINESE FASHION.

The South block of the new western market, the construction of which has just been completed by the Public Works Department, was opened to the public yesterday, the stall-holders by permission of the authorities, celebrating its inauguration in Chinese fashion by much jostling and firing of crackers. The new building, which has a massive dome gives it the appearance of a mosque, takes the place of an older market which was found to be too small to meet the requirements of the densely populated and growing West Point district, and dispenses a number of cramped tenement houses, which had become very dilapidated and over-crowded.

The new market is large enough to serve the district for many years to come, and is very conveniently sited, the stalls provided for the traders being very roomy. Several side-shops were in evidence last evening and these and the jostling attracted huge crowds. A Chinese band added to the din.

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HONGKONG COTTON
SPINNING CO., LIMITED.SIXTEENTH ANNUAL
MEETING.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., this morning. Hon. Mr. David Lauder presided and there were also present, Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Mr. Ho Fook, members of the Consulting Committee; Mr. C. W. Bewick, Secretary; Mr. J. Harrop, Manager; Messrs. H. G. Gibbons, Yuen Hop, Lo Cheung Shui, W. E. Clark, A. Buns, A. E. Craywell, P. C. Potts, A. Rogers, J. C. Taylor.

The Chairman said:—During the past year the cotton and yarn markets have not been comparatively steady and trade has been fair. With the all round improvement in our organisation this has enabled us to show a satisfactory result for the year's working. The outbreak of the rebellion seriously hampered us during the last two months of our working year and business being practically at a standstill, caused our stock of yarn to increase considerably, but it was all sold and I am glad to say that we have since had good clearance. Our cotton position is satisfactory as we are covered at low rates well into the new season, which is fortunate in view of the sharp advance that has recently taken place. The mill is now on a sound basis and as our spinners continue to gain in favour we find no difficulty in disposing of the whole of our output. Throughout the past year we have worked full time on the long day shift, and the position of our order book was such that the General Managers decided to place the mill on day and night work from the commencement of the new financial year. As usual, in such cases we encounter some difficulties with the new unskilled labour, but we are gradually improving in this respect and hope shortly to show an increase in our production. You will observe that the sum of \$18,000.00 has been spent on repairs and renewals, and we may say that particular attention is paid towards keeping the whole of our property and machinery in a high state of efficiency. Your General Managers have had under their serious consideration the advisability of recommending you to transfer the mill to Shanghai and it is only the large sum which has been invested by the company in land and buildings here, and which would in the event of such a transfer being made be left unproductive, that has deterred us from bringing forward the proposition. The land and buildings now stand in our books at \$550,000, \$150,000 for land and \$400,000 for buildings, and sum which it would be very difficult to recover by a sale of the property since the buildings of a cotton mill are not very suitable for anything else. I may say that the sale of the 10,000 spindles to Shanghai resulted in a profit of about \$60,000. On the book value and property account which stood at \$1,510,047, in 1912 now stands at \$1,149,407. There are many reasons even at present why Shanghai is a more suitable place for a cotton mill such as the purchase of raw cotton, the production of which has increased so much of late years in central and Northern China and the supply of labour, but the chief reason is one which overshadows the future and which will materially affect all manufactures in this Colony. I refer to the possibility of an increase in the Chinese Customs duties. This is a contingency which we must keep before us, and it may be necessary for me to again refer to this subject at no very distant date. There is an item in the accounts viz: \$1,000 bonus to be divided amongst the foreign staff at the mill, and I feel sure you will approve of the Consulting Committee's action in asking the great recognition of good work, under trying conditions of climate and native labour. We are fully engaged with work for the next two to three months, and present prospects are fair provided the price of cotton keeps within reasonable limits. It is to be hoped that good trading conditions will prevail and enable us to show a satisfactory result for the current year.

The report and accounts were adopted on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Sir Paul Chater.

Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and Mr. Ho Fook were re-elected members of the Consulting Committee on the motion of Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Hutton Potts.

Mr. Hutton Potts was re-elected auditor of the accounts of \$250, on the motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lo Cheung Shui.

THE RECENT BIG ROBBERY.

AN ARREST IN CANTON.

Last week a shop-keeper at 128 Wing Lok Street reported that one of his folk opened his safe with a duplicate key and stole a cash box containing \$38,500, two promissory notes for \$10,000, a money order for \$300, and a cheque for \$5,000. The shop-keeper had the promissory notes returned to him by post, but since then the absconding folk has been arrested by the Canton police, who traced him by means of "Informers." Of the stolen money, a sum of \$22,850 has been recovered.

CHILDREN'S COLDS.

Why let the children pick their little noses in such a disgusting manner when you can easily cure their colds with a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

NETHERLANDS BANK
SUED.EX-EMPLOYEE CLAIMS
A BONUS.

The Netherlands India Commercial Bank was cited as defendant in an action which came on for hearing before Mr. Justice Kemp in the Summary Court this morning. The plaintiff, Ip Su U, a former employee, and now in the Canton Bank, claimed \$240 due to him from defendants, being the amount of bonus granted by defendants for the year 1912, or in the alternative the amount of bonus held by defendant's branch office in Hongkong, for and on behalf of, and as trustees for the plaintiff.

Mr. Dixon appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. R. F. C. Master represented the defendants bank.

Mr. Dixon said the plaintiff until recently was employed in the defendant bank and had been there for about eight years. In April 1912 he informed the Chief Manager, Mr. E. J. H. Van Delden, that he wished to resign, as he was not satisfied with his salary. He was then getting about \$60 a month, and a cash bonus of double salary at Chinese New Year. Mr. Van Delden did not want to lose plaintiff's services, and urged him to remain, offering as an inducement to get him a bonus for the year based on the profits of the bank. Plaintiff accepted that, and it was agreed that in consideration of his receiving a bonus he should not receive the new year cash bonus. In September Mr. Van Delden wrote to the Bank's head office in Batavia recommending plaintiff for the bonus, and in April Mr. Van Delden left for home. On August 1st this year plaintiff again sent in his resignation fully expecting that the bonus would be paid him; but he had not expected this he would not have resigned. On August 5 there arrived from Batavia a list of the bonuses to be given to the Hongkong office staff, in which Ip Su U was put down for \$238.80. The new manager of the bank declined to pay the bonus, in consequence of plaintiff's resignation. At the end of the month, on August 27, a quarrel arose in the office about the use of the telephone, and plaintiff was ordered to leave, and was paid his salary for August, but defendant's declined to pay his bonus.

A NAUGHTY GIRL.

Magistrate Recommends "Slipper" Treatment.

At the Magistrate's this morning before Mr. Hazeland, a Chinese woman was charged by Serjt. Pitt with ill-treating her little girl, aged nine years. The child stated that her mother had beaten her with a rattan cane for the last ten days. The defendant had told her that the beating was for being dirty, and for not cleaning herself. She had had her hands tied behind her back while being beaten. The two marks on her face were caused by her being thrown down on the floor.

Serjt. Pitt said he was in charge of No. 2 Police Station when the case was reported. He went to No. 9, Lum Fat Street, second floor, and there saw the child. She had bruises on each side of her face, and cane marks on her arms and legs. She had marks on her wrists as if she had been tied with string. He was of opinion that the whipping was excessive.

Mr. Hazeland told the defendant that the law allowed her to beat the child if she was naughty—as this child had apparently been—but the beating must not be excessive.

The defendant said that the child had been very disobedient. She had not hit the girl very hard.

Inspector McHardy said he got some biscuits for the little girl at the station, and also made up a bed for her. She took the biscuits and threw them in his face. He would not be surprised if the woman had beaten the child.

Mr. Hazeland said he thought she was a very naughty child. Perhaps the whipping had been a little excessive, but she deserved a beating. He told the mother that a woman was "rather a severe instrument," and advised her to use a slipper.

The defendant was discharged.

His Lordship after hearing the evidence entered judgment for defendants with costs.

CLUB SWINGING FEAT.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION AT EARL'S COURT.

Tom Burrows, the champion Australian club-swinger, has become an addition to the attractions of the Imperial Services Exhibition at Earl's Court. He began swinging a pair of silver-mounted clubs at seven o'clock on a recent Tuesday evening, each club weighs 2lb. 6oz., and he hoped to continue swinging the clubs until six. During all these hours his face, both liquid and solid, is put into his mouth by his trainer, and Burrows never stops swinging. He wears a white flannel shirt, brown shorts, and a blue knitted silk jersey fronted with the six-colored flag of the Imperial Services Exhibition at Earl's Court. He began swinging a pair of silver-mounted clubs at seven o'clock on a recent Tuesday evening, each club weighs 2lb. 6oz., and he hoped to continue swinging the clubs until six. During all these hours his face, both liquid and solid, is put into his mouth by his trainer, and Burrows never stops swinging. He wears a white flannel shirt, brown shorts, and a blue knitted silk jersey fronted with the six-colored flag of the Imperial Services Exhibition at Earl's Court. He began swinging a pair of silver-mounted clubs at seven o'clock on a recent Tuesday evening, each club weighs 2lb. 6oz., and he hoped to continue swinging the clubs until six. During all these hours his face, both liquid and solid, is put into his mouth by his trainer, and Burrows never stops swinging. He wears a white flannel shirt, brown shorts, and a blue knitted silk jersey fronted with the six-colored flag of the Imperial Services Exhibition at Earl's Court.

There is a scene in the hall, and from time to time somebody plays rag time and Burrows puts in a lot of extra swinging round his shoulders. There is also a referee watching him all the time to see that he makes no revolutions a minute and never stops swinging.

SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

SUBMARINES v. BUGLERS, D.C.L.I.

This United Services League match was the first competition game of the season and was played on the Naval ground yesterday.

Teams—Submarines: Cooke; Dance, Rossen; Granger, Pickavance, Ashby; Froume, Simmonds, Fern, Batherham, Lyons.

Buglers: D.C.L.I.—Giltzer, Bowler, Huckle; Jackson, Palmer, Gregory; Walls, Clarke, Looney, Outmore, Williams.

Referee—Corpl. Bradley, R.E.

From the kick off, the sailors showed the better football, their forward play being of a high order. From a pass by Fern, Batherham missed when only a yard from goal. Fern next broke through the defence, Giltzer rushing out and nipping up the ball. Bowler sent his side to the other end, where a centre by Williams should have been converted by Looney but he missed altogether. The sailors were soon back at their opponents' end, Lyons forcing a corner, from which Ashley headed hard by the post. Walls beat Rossen finely, but Cooke saved his shot and two corners were given before the sailors could relieve the attack. Fern made two attempts to open the scoring, the second producing a fine goal. Lyons ran into the centre during another attack and scored the sailors' second goal with a cross shot, the teams' crossing over with the scores:—Submarines, 2; Buglers, D.C.L.I., 0.

The second half opened with an attack by the soldiers, a scrimmage following a "free" being well cleared by Rossen. The Submarines were soon thinking for more goals, and Bowler saved on the goal line. Simmonds broke through the soldiers' defence, however, and scored a third. Re-starting, the Buglers made a rally, Walls effecting a one run and centre but Looney shot over the bar. Rossen put to the other end with a big kick and, following two corners, Simmonds scored the fourth. At the sailors' end the Buglers should have scored but Cooke saved twice at close range, and play going to the other end, Simmonds completed his "hat-trick" in scoring the fifth and last goal with a long shot. The sailors won easily but the score should have been a smaller margin. The Buglers will doubtless do better when they have played more together. Result:—

Submarines, 5; Buglers, D.C.L.I., 0.

Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club.

The Annual General Meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club was held yesterday evening at the Club's Headquarters, Alexandra Buildings.

Mr. W. Sykes, the President, occupied the chair.

The usual business and annual reports were confirmed.

Officers for the ensuing season were elected. Mr. W. Sykes was again appointed President; Captain, Mr. H. Edmunds; Vice-Captain, Mr. C. O. Bickling; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Chas. W. Randall.

The ground will be at Happy Valley as last season, and a practice match is to take place on Monday, 13th inst.

The Secretary will be pleased to arrange fixtures for any Monday during the ensuing season.

Hongkong Cricket League.

A practice match will take place on the club grounds on Saturday next between the Club and the Rest. Play to commence at 2.15 p.m. Teams:—

The Club.—R. Hancock (Capt.), C. C. Clarke, A. A. Claxton, P. H. Cobbe, D. E. Donnelly, A. L. Gace, Major Gen. Kelly, M. M. Mass, S. S. Moore, T. E. Pearce, and R. P. Thursfield.

The Rest.—Major Bowen, A.O.D., Capt. Crawford, R.P.A., Major Currie, R.G.A., Rev. W. H. Foster Pegg, R. O. Hutchinson, A.O.D., Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Engr. Lieut. Smith, L.N., Lieut. Wace, R.N., and Lieut. Withshire, R.G.A.

Military Raquets Club.

A military raquets club has been formed and has taken over the raquets courts from the Hongkong Cricket Club.

BERI-BERI ON JAPANESE TRAINING SHIP.

An Unfortunate Voyage.

A telegram reached the Imperial Maritime School, Tokyo, on Tuesday last, 18th inst., says the "Japan Chronicle" of the 19th inst., from the Captain of the "Daisai-maru" (the training ship belonging to the school, which set out on a circumnavigation cruise last year), stating that the ship arrived the previous day at Amboya, a Dutch Island between Australia and the Philippines. The ship left Rio de Janeiro on April 14th last, crossed the Atlantic, passing the Cape of Good Hope on June 16th, and set her course for Fremantle, W. Australia. In the course of the voyage of 8,145 miles, the ship encountered several severe storms, and of 120 students on board over 80 were attacked by beri-beri; two died in the Indian Ocean, and a carpenter also died from inflammation of the lungs. The ship played at Fremantle for three weeks in, and for medical attendance. The health of all the patients making satisfactory progress, and sailing for Amboya on August 23rd, arriving on Monday morning last (18th inst.) as mentioned above. The ship will stay there for about a week before starting for Tokyo.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE "ARRAN CABINETS" CHIEF DISCUSSION.

LAND CAMPAIGN TO THE FORE.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

"The Times" confirms the statement that the land campaign was the chief theme of the Ministerial conversations at Arran, and adds that no communications of any kind passed between the Government and the Opposition leaders on the subject of Home Rule. The Government's attitude is entirely expectant.

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN SPAIN AND TURKEY.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

Disastrous floods have occurred in Spain. Railways have been cut off and crops ruined. The flood at Gerbere soaked some barrels containing carbide of calcium at an iron-monger's, thereby generating acetylene. A terrific explosion afterwards took place which killed three passers-by, and blew up two houses. Five families being buried in the debris. Fourteen people have been killed and thirty injured by unprecedented floods at Constantinople. Houses, gardens and bridges have been destroyed. Thirty workmen in a power station were drowned.

SOMALILAND.

C.M.G. FOR MR. ARCHER.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

Mr. Archer, the Acting-Commissioner of Somaliland, has been appointed a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

MILITANT SUFFRAGETTES ACTIVE.

A TUSSE WITH THE POLICE.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

Suffragettes were planning the autumn campaign at Kingsway, London, when the police raided the building. Several leaders were re-arrested after a fierce struggle.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE "TIMES" ON THE SITUATION.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

The Times, in a leading article on the passive resistance in South Africa (in connection with Indian immigration) says that the denunciation of the Union Government is totally unjust, but further steps are obviously necessary to prevent the serious injuries which the prolongation of passive resistance would inflict on South Africa and the Empire. Would not the situation be more easily remedied, it asks, if the Government of India sent its own official representative to South Africa to discuss the problem at first hand?

GREAT BRITAIN'S REVENUE.

QUARTER'S SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

Great Britain's revenue for the past quarter amounted to £36,797,700, an increase of £2,634,099.

DOM MANUEL'S CONSORT.

THE LATEST BULLETIN.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

A bulletin issued at Munich says:—The Queen of Portugal was taken ill on the 18th September with fever, which was attended with gastric symptoms. The right renal cavity was affected sympathetically. Acting on medical advice, her Majesty entered hospital on the 22nd September. There is a reasonable prospect of recovery in a definite time. The King has also taken up his residence at the Hospital.

SUNSHINE AND COMMON SENSE.

DON'T doctor your blood for a sunburn. Use an external application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. In a few days it will get you up and out into the sunshine, then nature will restore the rich red blood to your veins and you will be the system of this troublesome disease. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

TRAGIC DEATH OF A GREAT INVENTOR.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

Herr Rudolf Diesel, the inventor of the world-famed oil engine which bears his name, disappeared on the night boat between Antwerp and Harwich, whilst en route to attend the Diesel Company meeting in London. It is feared that he fell overboard.

A WORLD-WIDE LOSS.

LATER.

At the meeting of the Diesel Company in London, the Chairman dwelt upon the world-wide loss in the death of Diesel, who retired to his cabin and has not been seen since.

AMERICA'S NEW TARIFF BILL.

RAMIFIED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

A telegram from Washington states that the House of Representatives has ratified the Tariff Bill, 254 members voting in favour of it. Mr. Underwood in a speech said that the average ad valorem duties to be imposed by the Bill were 26 per cent., as compared with over 40 per cent. under the present Payne Law, and 39 per cent. under the Wilson Law passed by the last Democratic Congress. Twenty years ago Payne declared that American commerce and industry would be developed greatly under the Republican Tariff, but it would suffer a disastrous set back under Democratic law.

LORD ROBERTS' MESSAGE TO THE NATION.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

Lord Roberts, in a message to the nation, appeals for active support of the National Service movement.

MARRIAGE OF SIR HARRY MACLEAN.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

Kaid Sir Harry MacLean was married at Paddington yesterday to Theresa, daughter of the late General Harry Prendergast.

MINISTER IN ATTENDANCE.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

Mr. Augustine Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, has arrived at Balmoral Castle.

CHINESE NEWS.

PEKING, Oct. 2.

Lam Chun Wa, an officer in the Agricultural Department, has been arrested on a serious charge. The authorities declare that he is a native of Heungshan, but the Portuguese Minister states that Lam is a Portuguese subject. The Foreign Department has strongly protested against this.

The Foreign Department has agreed to make an apology to the United States Minister for the wrongful arrest by the police of Mr. Yung, who is a son of the late Dr. Yung Wing of Yale University. It has been decided that the new President will enter office on the 10th and Yuan Shih Kai will formally resign as provisional President on the 4th before the two Houses.

The President has ordered the publication to the empire of the charges against Sun Yat Sen and Wong Hing in connection with the recent rebellion.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 2. Owing to a welcome banquet which has been given to Sun Yat Sen and Wong Hing, by the Hupeh Chinese students in Japan, Li Yuan Hung has stopped the annual subsidies of the latter.

DIPHTHERIA—HOW IT MAY BE AVOIDED.

DIPHTHERIA is usually contracted when the child gets a cold. The cold prepares the child's system for the reception and development of the diphtheria germs. When there are cases of diphtheria in the neighborhood children that have colds should be kept at home and off the street until recovered. Give them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and they will not have to remain at home long. It also cleans out the culture beds, which form in a child's throat when it has a cold, and minimizes the risk of contracting infectious diseases. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

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AUSTRALIAN NAVAL SENSATION.

AN INQUIRY REGARDING "FRICTION."

LONDON, Oct. 2.

A telegram from Melbourne states that Captain Hughes-Onslow, second member of the Australian Naval Board, has been relieved of his duty pending an inquiry regarding friction with other members.

JOCKEY CLUB STAKES. PROBABLES, BETTING, AND JOCKEYS.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

For the Jockey Club Stakes probable starters are Tracery (Whalley) 10 to 7 against; Aleppo (Maher) 9 to 5 against; Birlingham (Jones) 13 to 8 on; Harry of Hereford (F. Rickaby) 13 to 7 on.

THE CAMEL AND ITS WAYS.

FACTS ABOUT A "MAGNIFICENTLY INDECENT BEAST."

An interesting letter on camels and their habits appears in the "Times" from a correspondent who, as he phrases it, has had "the dubious pleasure of owning several of these singularly indecent beasts." The writer affirms that the statement of a previous correspondent that "The creature has been known to go seven and eight days without drinking" is misleading. In the first place, he points out, much naturally depends on whether the camel is in work or out of it, whether he is carried or not, and whether the temperature is hot or cold.

In Northern Kordofan (Anglo-Egyptian Sudan) three or four days of thirst is the common lot of a camel during the hot, dry weather, if in work; and four to six days if out of work. In the winter the same camel in work would be watered every six or seven days, and if out of work every seven to ten days. The above applies, generally speaking, to the camels used by the Camel Corps and by officials in the course of their work.

But when we come to the great herds of the nomad Arabs the conditions are different. These beasts are not grazed, and the majority of them do only occasional work or none at all. During the hottest weather preceding the rains it is true that they are watered every four to six days; then during the rains (July to October) they gorge the lush grass and drink when they like; but, the rains ended, the bulk of the herds and flocks of sheep move north-westwards to the utterly waterless wastes where the "guzzi" (winter grasses) now appear.

The cold here is more intense and there is no shelter from the biting north wind. In this desolate arid country camels and sheep remain from the beginning of November until the first weeks of February, and no drop of water passes their lips, for there is none to be had.

SOMALILAND IN 1912-13.

THE FIGURES OF MILITARY EXPENDITURE.

The Consular report on the Somaliland Protectorate for 1912-13, just issued, affords significant evidence of the attempt to conduct the administration as cheaply as possible. The revenue was £23,913, or £2,666 less than that of the previous year. At the same time the total expenditure (£80,872) was £13,974 less than the amount expended in 1911-1912.

With regard to increases in expenditure two items are of interest. Camel constabulary, £2401, was the cost incurred in connection with the new camel constabulary. Of this £2400 represents charges of a non-recurring nature. The increase under special military services—£21,904, represents the cost of a detachment of a native infantry regiment lent by the Government of India as a temporary addition to the garrison of Berbera. These troops were, however, dispensed with in April, 1913.

During the year the European and white population increased from 23 to 58; while the Somalis numbered over 30,000. The value of the trade of the Protectorate is returned at £466,686, as against £483,333 in 1911-12, the principal increases being in imports of grain, apparel, and dates, and in exports of ostrich feathers, manure, pearls, and sheep and goat skins.

The "wireless" service between Berbera and Aden has, it is reported, been maintained throughout the year without break-down. The apparatus and machinery are standing the strain of the tropical temperature and atmosphere remarkably well, depreciation being at a very low rate. It has, however, been decided to duplicate at both Berbera and Aden all apparatus in which the liability to serious breakdown exists. During the year there has been a slight falling off in the number of messages received, namely, 3218, as against 3297 of the previous year. Arrangements have been made to install a small wireless station at Berbera.

SHARE QUOTATIONS FROM LONDON.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth, stock brokers, are in receipt of the following cable quotations from their London Agents this morning:—
Shells Transport "Boar" 108/3 middle.
Mexican Eagles ... 45/6
Trench Mines ... 51/9
United Sordangs ... 7/8
They also received a wire from their Shanghai agents informing them that the Langkat output for September is given at 6312 tons, an increase on the August returns of 424 tons.

Mr. P. C. Potts, share and general broker, Victoria Building, received the following share quotations from London this morning:—

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Shells ("Boar")	5 6 6 Buyers.
Ural Caspian	2 12 9
Mexican Eagles	3 9 3 Sellers.
Ural Caspian	2 6 3 Middle.
Ural Caspian	2 11 3
Pahangs	11 0
Electric Trans	8 6

SINGAPORE'S SHIPPING LAW AND JAPANESE VESSELS.

It is reported that the Legislative Council of Singapore recently passed a law, which will come into force on January 1st, 1914, requiring all vessels entering Singapore with over 100 passengers to carry a qualified doctor. The new law will apply to all arrivals from ports north of Hongkong and west of Calcutta. The Japan Mail says:—
"The law will bear particularly hard on Japanese-owned ships, because only graduates from Tokyo Imperial University will be recognised as 'qualified' in the case of the ship carrying doctor. Japanese vessels plying in Singapore waters, it is alleged, all carry doctors but they are not by any means all graduates of the Imperial University at Tokyo."

"The Japanese companies that will be affected are the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Toyo Kisen Kaisha, and Osaka Kaisha, but the Nippon Yusen Kaisha having 11 ships on the European line and 6 ships on its Calcutta line all stopping at Singapore will suffer the most from this new law."

"Before this law comes into effect on January 1st, 1914, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha must change all the doctors now on board these 17 vessels stopping at Singapore. But to engage at one time sixteen graduates of the Tokyo Imperial University will cause this company no small inconvenience."

"The other two companies will not feel much inconvenience from this new law, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha having only freight boats touching at Singapore and the Toyo Kisen Kaisha having no line south of Singapore."

"The authorities are considering making a protest with the Singapore Government as the operation of this new law will lay an intolerable burden on the Nippon Yusen Kaisha."

"It seems that this law was occasioned by the failure of the incompetent doctor of a certain foreign vessel, which touched at Singapore in the spring, to discover and report several cases of cholera which had broken out aboard his ship before it entered harbour. The passengers were landed and the affair caused no little trouble in Singapore. The law is a natural outcome of such incompetence and ignorance displayed by ships' doctors, and it is unfortunate that it should bear so hard on the one Japanese steamship company with a large trade in the Straits Settlements."

It is interesting to learn that the Japanese authorities are contemplating making a protest against the new regulation, on the ground that it "will lay an intolerable burden" on a Japanese steamship line. Probably the Singapore authorities consider the new regulation indispensable in order to prevent "an intolerable burden" in the form of an epidemic some day being placed upon the port through the negligence of incompetent doctors. Shipowners all over the world have to bear "intolerable burdens" such as exclusion from certain trade routes, the Pilots' mark, compulsory pilotage, Lloyd specifications, and such things. Some, at least, of these "intolerable" things are for the protection of life and property, and a law which we learn from the Japan Mail "is a natural outcome of such incompetence and ignorance displayed by ships' doctors" may be inconvenient to some, but can hardly be called "intolerable."

DESSERTERS MURDERED.

A man named Huelmann, one of a number of deserters from the French Foreign Legion, who escaped from a troopship out of Oran by jumping overboard and swimming ashore, had an adventurous time before he was able to make his way back to civilisation. Huelmann, who is an American, and nine comrades fell into the hands of Bedouins. The Bedouins murdered all the nine, but spared Huelmann because he claimed to be a German subject; the Bedouin chief went to the extent even of conducting him to Tangier and handing him over to the German Consul, and he was able to take passage for his fatherland.

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SINGAPORE RIKISHAS.

The annual report of Mr. W. E. Hooper, Registrar of Hackney Carriages and Rickshas, Singapore, has just been published, bearing date Feb. 12.
The year 1912 gave a profit of \$129,413, which of course means that the Municipality, by this indirect tax, took nearly fifty cents from every inhabitant of Singapore. The following retrospect is of interest:—
"It is twenty years since this department was organised and a retrospective review is interesting."

In 1891 the number of rikishas was limited to 2,500 and many abuses resulted. The annual tax was \$1 on each vehicle and the coolies were licensed and paid 25 cents each.

The introduction of the new ordinance in 1892 presented difficulties, the rikishas only was licensed, the tax was increased to \$13 per annum and each vehicle had to pass inspection every four months before having a license renewed. It was expected this would check the number of rikishas, and doubts were expressed as to whether under the new conditions the department could be made to cover expenses.

Instead of checking the number of rikishas they have multiplied yearly until last Chinese New Year there were 9,470 plying on the streets for hire.
The total revenue of the department, including taxes on all licensed vehicles, grew from \$60,116 in 1893 to \$16,403 in 1895 and \$75,844 in 1912, the surplus to the credit of the Municipal Fund, after paying all expenses, exceeds one and a half million of dollars.

There was a good deal of bickering, no less than 1890 cases not being traced out of the 3,808 reported.

These figures give an indication of the magnitude of this traffic, the average number running—

	1910	1911	1912
1st class	1,318	1,548	1,724
2nd class	7,101	7,258	7,207

The proposed legislation to abolish double rikishas no doubt helped to cause a falling off in revenue towards the end of the year, as at present the most are afraid to buy new double rikishas and at the end of December 6,592 were running against 9,339 in August.

Hackney carriages are of three classes, 1st class not plying for hire; second class having rubber tyres and third class with iron tyres.

Amongst the first class licenses were included forty-five motor cars used for hire and it is reported that motor cars to ply on the streets will shortly be introduced. It seems a pity in the new Municipal Ordinance now before Council that no provision is made in sections relating to all licensed vehicles for dealing with motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire which in England are subject to rules and regulations laid down for Hackney Carriages.

The number of passengers carried by the tram is given as 1910, 13,133,180; 1911, 13,477,326; and 1912, 12,975,418.

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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	SUMATRA Capt. H. W. Potts, R.N.R.	About 4th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA Capt. W. R. L. Mearns, R.N.R.	About 9th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, via Cebu, Penang, SINGAPORE, & SUEZ	CHINA Capt. C. H. S. Towner, R.N.R.	11th Oct.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SUEZ, PANAMA, COLON, PORT SAID & MARIUTIA	WILEY Capt. H. P. Powell	About 15th Oct.	Freight and Passage.

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VICTORIA, B.C., & SE- TLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	KATORI MARU Capt. Mura, 1st 20,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Oct., at Daylight.
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	YOKOHAMA MARU Capt. S. Wada, 1st 12,500	TUESDAY, 7th Oct., at Noon.
	HAUNKI MARU Capt. Noma, 1st 12,500	TUESDAY, 21st Oct., at Noon.
	AKI MARU Capt. S. Kon, 1st 12,500	THURSDAY, 9th Oct., at 11 a.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURS- DAY ISLAND, TOWNS- VILLE AND BRISBANE	TANGO MARU Capt. T. Minagawa, 1st 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Oct., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. Takeda, 1st 9,800	WEDNESDAY, 19th Nov., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. Takeda, 1st 9,800	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Oct., at 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & SINGAPORE	HANGKOW MARU Capt. —, 1st 12,100	WEDNESDAY, 8th Oct., at Noon.
COLOMBO	HAHATA MARU Capt. —, 1st 12,500	SATURDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon.
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HIRANO MARU	16,000 "	25th Mar.	8th Apr.
KATORI MARU	20,000 "	24th Mar.	7th Apr.
KASHIMA	20,000 "	2nd Apr.	

FOR AMERICA			
SHIMIZU MARU	12,500 tons	27th Jan.	10th Feb.
YAMATO MARU	12,500 "	10th Feb.	24th Feb.
AKI MARU	12,500 "	24th Feb.	10th Mar.
SADO MARU	12,500 "	10th Mar.	24th Mar.
YOKOHAMA MARU	12,500 "	24th Mar.	7th Apr.
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HAIPHONG	CHINA	Oct. 7, at 10 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	CHINA	Oct. 7, at 4 p.m.
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YATSHING	FRIDAY, Oct. 3, at Noon.
CHONGKING	YATSHING	SATURDAY, Oct. 4, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	YATSHING	SATURDAY, Oct. 4, Daylight.
NEWCHOW	YATSHING	SATURDAY, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m.
YATSHING	YATSHING	TUESDAY, Oct. 7, at 9 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YATSHING	TUESDAY, Oct. 7, at 9 p.m.
SHANGHAI	YATSHING	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 9, at Noon.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	'DEN OF RUTHVEN'	10th Nov.
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Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1913.

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BECK & CO.,

BREMEN,

KAISER BREWERY.

BECK'S
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Key Brand

\$16.00 per case

6 dozen pints,

4 dozen Quarts.

HONGKONG AGENTS:

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& CO.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

September 12, *Demidov*, Japan, 2nd.September 18, *Asayama*, Nippon, 2nd.September 19, *Osaka*, Nippon, 2nd.September 23, *Glenroy*, Elit, Nippon, 2nd.September 26, *Alcinous*, Andalusia, 2nd.September 28, *Alcinous*, Andalusia, 2nd.September 30, *Alcinous*, Andalusia, 2nd.

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GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS FOR SPECIFIC BRITISH AND MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the London Commission of HIS MAJESTY'S TREASURY, LONDON, will be received by the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, until 11 a.m. on the 3rd October, 1913.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers addressed to the TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS".

The right to accept or reject any or all of the tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of tender can be had on application.

F. J. BOWEN,

Major,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hongkong, Oct. 2, 1913. 1183

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TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

EVENING CLASSES in the following Subjects will commence on MONDAY, the 3rd of October, 1913.

ENGINEERING SECTION.

Building Construction.
Applied Mechanics.
Mathematics.

SCIENCE SECTION.

Chemistry, Theoretical.
Chemistry, Practical.
Metallurgy.
Physics.
Electricity.
First Aid.
Sanitation.

COMMERCE SECTION.

English.
French.
Book-keeping.

TEACHERS' CLASSES FOR.

Women.
Men ("Vernacular").

Copies of Prospectus and Entry Forms may be obtained on Application to the Undersigned.

E. RALPHS,

Director.
Hongkong, Oct. 2, 1913. 1189

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 10th October, 1913, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE.

(Removed to Sales Room for the convenience of Sale)

Comprising—
American Rosewood Drawing Room Suite, Japanese Cherry-wood Curio Cabinet, Desk, and Chair, Fine Japanese Brass Torii, Lantern and Placques, Burmese Gongs, Foochow Lacquered Tables and Teapots, Brass Fender and Fiddle, Brass Standard Lamp, Oil-paintings (including marine pictures by "Alquist"), Carpets, Rugs, White Lace Curtains etc.

Fine Teakwood Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror, American Extension Dining Table, Teak Overmantel, Dining Chairs, Dinner Wagon, "Globe" Cabinet, Cut-glass Flower Bowls, Sweet Dishes, Decanters, Ice Plates and Butter Dishes, Glass and Crockery, Wares, Cutlery, etc.

Single Brass Bedsteads, Teak Wardrobes, Washstands, and Toilet Tables, Chests of drawers, Bedsteads, Bookcases, Singer Sewing Machine, Easy Chairs, Electric Ceiling and Table Fans and Lamps, Scotch Rugs, Folding Card Tables etc.

Grass Linen Table Cloths, Damask Table Cloths and Napkins, Satin Bedspreads, Curtains and Table Covers etc.

Canton Blackwood Card Table, Fire Screens, Round and Square Tables, Hall Chairs, Stools and Jardiniere Stands.

Pianola Cottage Piano (in good condition), Sectional and Folding Music Cabinets and Pianola Musc.

Also
Large Steel Safe
And
To be sold at a later date
ONE FULL-SIZED ENGLISH
BILLIARD TABLE WITH ALL
ACCESSORIES.
On view from Wednesday the 8th Oct.
Catalogues will be issued.
Taxes—Cash on delivery.
GEOR. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Oct. 2, 1913. 1185

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship
CITY OF EDINBURGH,
Captain H. V. BURN, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godown of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., at Hongkong, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 10th instant, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the date of arrival hereafter which day they cannot be recognized.

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NOTICE.

MR. HENRY DAVIES MORRISON and MR. ROBERT SUTHERLAND have been Authorized to Sign on behalf of our Company per procuratione.

JARDINE MATHESON & Co. Ltd.,
Hongkong, Oct. 2, 1913. 1188

NOTICE.

CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

I, the Undersigned, beg to inform the PUBLIC that the CENTRAL GOVERNMENT at Peking has appointed ME MANAGER of this Administration in Hongkong, and, from to-day, all responsibilities in connection with this Administration will devolve upon me.

WONG TING CHAN.
Hongkong, Oct. 2, 1913. 1187

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship DERFFLINGER, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco, and Valuable Goods, are being landed at their risk into the Godown of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., at Hongkong, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

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